

HEALTH EDUCATION

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE:

All schools are required to provide comprehensive health education to K-12 students.

AUTHORIZATION/LEGAL REFERENCE:

- 16 V.S.A. Chapter 1 § 131 -Definitions
16 V.S.A. Chapter 1 § 134 -Religious exemption
16 V.S.A. Chapter 1 § 135 -Program development
- 16 V.S.A. Chapter 23 § 909 – Tobacco, alcohol and drug prevention education curriculum
- 16 V.S.A. Chapter 25 § 1165 - Act 51

<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/chapters.cfm?Title=16>

SUGGESTED SCHOOL NURSE ROLES:

The school nurse may, in collaboration with administrators, guidance personnel, nutritional services personnel, health educators and classroom teachers:

- Assist teachers with reference material, educational resources and curriculum planning.
- Provide teachers and students with nursing expertise when health related problems/questions arise.
- Assist agencies to coordinate community-based health education programs.
- Provide students with periodic in-class supplemental instructions and small group/one on one instruction.
- Provide faculty/school personnel with in-service education programs (e.g. drug and alcohol, nutrition, personal safety).
- Provide family/groups/community with education programs (e.g. drug and alcohol, adolescent development, personal safety programs).

RESOURCES:

American Cancer Society of Vermont - <http://www.cancer.org>

American Heart Association - <http://www.americanheart.org>

American Lung Association of Vermont - <http://lungaction.org>

American Red Cross - <http://www.redcross.org/>

Vermont Department of Education. Vermont Health Education Guidelines for Curriculum and Assessment. 2002

Vermont Standards of Practice; School Health Services



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Vermont Department of Health – <http://healthvermont.gov/index.aspx>

Vermont Department of Education -

http://education.vermont.gov/new/html/pgm_health_ed/publications_resources/herc.html

Center For Health & Learning - <http://www.healthandlearning.org/>

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